Facilities for Emergency Victims

3557. SHRI MANABENDRA SHAH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any representation for the grant of facilities/concessions to those detained during 1975-77 emergency on par with those who participated in the struggle for independence;

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken in this regard;

(c) whether the Government propose to take any steps to rehabilitate the dependents of the persons who suffered during the emergency regime including those connected with the media; and

(d) if so, the details of the package proposed, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). The Government has extended certain facilities/concessions to the freedom fighters and to their family members as a token of respect to the invaluable contribution made by them during the freedom struggle. Extending the same facilities/concessions to others in the form of package will be against the spirit of the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme.

National Pulses Development Programme

3558. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the coverage made under the National Pulses Development Programme in the country particularly in Orissa during Eighth Five Year Plan period, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government propose to increase areas under pulses cultivation in the country particularly in the drought affected districts of Orissa during the coming years;

(c) if so, the extent to which it is likely to be increased; and

(d) the details of programmes drawn up by the Government in his regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) Statewise areas/districts covered under the National Pulses Development Project (NPDP) during the 8th Plan period, Including in the State of Orissa are given in the Statement-I, II, and III.

(b) to (d). Efforts are being made to increase the area under pulses, including in the drought affected districts of Orissa, specially through non-conventional ways, like intercropping, multiple cropping, catch cropping etc. The objective of area expansion under pulses through non-conventional ways is mainly to stabilize the total area coverage as the pulses areas is getting diverted to other more remunerative crops as and when these become irrigated. Some of the programmes for expansion of area under pulses are :

(i) intercropping of pigeon-pea, black-gram, green-gram, chick-pea, etc. with millets, cotton, sugarcane, etc.

(ii) propogation of cultivation of chickpea, lentil, black-gram, green-gram, etc. in rice fallows.

(iii) propogation of spring/summer green-gram cultivation after the harvest of rabi crops in irrigated areas.

STATEMENT-I

Statewise Areas/Districts covered under NPDP

S.No	Andhra Pradesh	Bihar	Gujarat	Haryana	Karnataka
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Adilabad	Bhagalpur	Ahmedabad	Bhiwani	Bidar
2.	Anantapur	Darbhanga	Amreli	Hisar	Bijapur
3.	Chittoor	Gumla	Banaskantha	Sirsa	Bangalore Urban
4.	Cuddapah	Gaya	Baroda		Bangalore Rural
5.	East Godwari	Katihar	Bharuch		Belgaum
6.	Guntur	Muzaffarpur	Bhavnagar		Bellary
7.	Karimnagar	Madhubani	Jamnagar		Chitradurga
8.	Khammam	Purnea	Junagarh		Chikkamanglure
9.	Krishan	Patna	Kheda		Dharwar
10.	Karnool	Rohtas	Kutch-Buj		Dakshina Kannada